

textures" is neither taught nor suggested by Kamen et al. alone or, in combination with either Griffin et al. or Tremblay et al. However, despite this argument, the above rejection has been maintained.

In maintaining the above rejection, it was stated that even though Kamen et al. does not explicitly disclose the controlling signals for determining procedural texture, it would have been obvious to one skilled in the art to include such signals in generating textures.

In response, it is respectfully submitted that the presently recited "input to receive via a network identifying data identifying one of the set of standardized textures" is not obvious in view of Kamen et al. First of all, in making the above statement, neither a patent nor an article has been cited to support this conclusion of obviousness. Therefore, unless such a document is produced to support this conclusion of obviousness, it is respectfully submitted that this feature is not obviousness.

Further, it is also respectfully submitted that the presently recited "input to receive via a network identifying data identifying one of the set of standardized textures" is not obviousness since there is no indication

that Kamen et al. is even using standardized textures. In column 5, lines 44-51, Kamen et al. discloses:

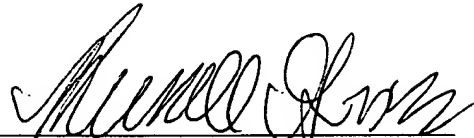
"The texture parameter interpolation module 3 generates U and V signals which are a U and V address passed to the texture look-up table module 30. The texture parameter interpolation module 3 also generates map select signals which are passed to the mip-map map selector 28, which in conjunction with the texture look-up table module 30 generate texture values..."

Based on the above disclosure, Kamen et al. does not disclose the use of standardized textures. Thus, there is no reason for one skilled in the art to modify Kamen et al. to include an "input to receive via a network identifying data identifying one of the set of standardized textures", as required by the claims. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that this feature is not obvious over and thus distinguishable over Kamen et al.

The above-described deficiencies of Kamen et al. are also not addressed by either Griffin et al. or Tremblay et al. since these references are being relied on for other features. Thus, the invention of claims 1-11 is not obvious over Kamen et al. alone or, in combination with either Griffin et al. or Tremblay et al. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the above rejection be reconsidered and withdrawn so that the present application may proceed to issue.

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